

WE CLAIM

1. A kick board having a front truck with a pair
steerable wheels, an elongate flex deck extending from the
truck to a rear wheel, and a foldable handle pivotably
connected to a chassis of the front truck to allow the
handle to move through a vertical plane from a
substantially vertical position above the chassis to a
substantial horizontal position overlying the deck, in
which a hinge connection to allow the handle to pivot
comprises a lower connector anchored to the chassis and
having opposing vertical planar outer surfaces, a forked
upper connector that fits over the lower connector and is
attached to a lower end of the handle, the upper connector
having vertical planar inner surfaces that fit snugly and
slidingly against the respective outer surfaces of the
lower connector, a pivot pin extending through the inner
and outer vertical surfaces to hold the lower and upper
connectors together, and a manually releasable lock that
prevents relative rotation between the connectors and
pivoting of the handle to fold over the deck whenever the
handle is in the vertical position.

2. A kick board according to claim 1, in which the lock
comprises vertical slot in an upper surface of the lower
connector and a spring biased plunger constrained to

slide inside the upper connector and fit snugly into the slot.

3. A kick board according to claim 2, in which the slot and plunger are correspondingly tapered, and a wedge formed by the tapering on the plunger has a principal axis that extends in a plane at right angles to a longitudinal axis of the deck.

4. A kick board according to claim 2, including an external manually grippable sheath slidable over an outside of the lower end the handle, a fixed pin extending from the sheath to mechanical connect to the plunger, the plunger being movable against its bias to unlock the handle and allow the handle to pivot when the sheath is slid relative to the handle.

5. A kick board according to claim 2, in which the lower connector has a second slot extending horizontally into a rear facing surface thereof, the second slot being engagable by the plunger for locking the handle in the horizontal position.

6. A kick board according to claim 2, in which the handle comprises a hollow tube and the lock includes a lock plunger bush that fits inside the tube to firmly and

slidably locate the plunger with respect to the upper connector.

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